

Table 2: MENA Economies–Summary Statistics on Governance Indicators

(Average 1996-2002)

Country	Voice Accountability	Regulatory Quality	Political Stability	Government Effectiveness	Rule of Law	Control of Corruption
Highly Corrupt Countries (Corruption Index < -0.75)						
Iraq	-1.953	-2.923	-2.213	-1.626	-1.590	-1.315
Libya	-1.563	-2.084	-0.920	-1.103	-0.967	-0.876
Sudan	-1.684	-1.148	-2.238	-1.385	-1.295	-0.994
Average	-1.733	-2.051	-1.790	-1.371	-1.284	-1.061
Fairly Corrupt Countries (Corruption Index >-0.75<0.0)						
Algeria	-1.209	-0.799	-2.093	-0.746	-0.677	-0.590
Egypt	-0.803	-0.092	-0.167	-0.081	0.178	-0.154
Iran	-0.912	-1.394	-0.292	-0.310	-0.558	-0.599
Lebanon	-0.456	0.117	-0.430	-0.132	-0.114	-0.339
Syria	-1.522	-0.955	-0.276	-0.796	-0.371	-0.568
Turkey	-0.607	0.391	-0.923	-0.162	0.070	-0.154
Yemen	-0.768	-0.525	-1.278	-0.632	-0.946	-0.549
Average	-0.896	-0.465	-0.779	-0.408	-0.345	-0.421
Less Corrupt Countries (Corruption Index >0.0<0.75)						
Bahrain	-1.007	0.863	-0.032	0.563	0.860	0.448
Jordan	-0.235	0.340	0.056	0.375	0.422	0.059
Morocco	-0.468	0.156	-0.059	0.083	0.289	0.108
Oman	-0.635	0.578	0.915	0.877	1.104	0.689
Qatar	-0.720	0.307	1.141	0.721	1.060	0.598
Saudi Arabia	-1.298	-0.039	0.154	-0.106	0.670	0.174
Tunisia	-0.740	0.282	0.499	0.803	0.314	0.279
UAE	-0.611	0.690	0.963	0.584	1.096	0.702
Average	-0.714	0.397	0.454	0.487	0.726	0.382
Relatively Uncorrupt Countries (Corruption Index > 0.75)						
Kuwait	-0.255	0.048	0.438	0.142	0.943	0.901
Total Av	-0.906	-0.334	-0.372	-0.196	0.002	-0.151

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